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1. The railroad line Skoplje-Tetovo-Gostivar-Debar on Yugoslav territory will be extended into Albanian territory on the line Borazë-Zgohdë-Mirat (sic)-Elbasan-Durazzo.
2. This line will be parallel to the very good road which was built by the Italians during the war. Parts of the country over which the railroad line will have to go are of such a difficult nature that the line cannot be completed until 1949. The most difficult part is from Pekini to Kavajë.
3. In order to train the constructors, the Albanian Government has sent brigades of workers to the railroad construction being undertaken by the Youth Battalions in Yugoslavia.
4. The section from Elbasan to Durazzo is to be finished by the end of 1948.

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